

Interview Summary

Application No.
09/661,778

Applicant(s)
Kishi et al.

Examiner
Clark F. Dexter

Art Unit
3724

All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO personnel):

(1) Mr. David Cho

(3) _____

(2) Mr. Clark Dexter

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Date of Interview Jan 14, 2004

Type: a) ☐ Telephonic b) ☐ Video Conference

c) ☒ Personal [copy is given to 1) ☐ applicant 2) ☒ applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) ☐ Yes e) ☒ No. If yes, brief description:

Claim(s) discussed: 1

Identification of prior art discussed:

the applied prior art, particularly, Frisby et al.

Agreement with respect to the claims f) ☐ was reached. g) ☒ was not reached. h) ☐ N/A.

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments:

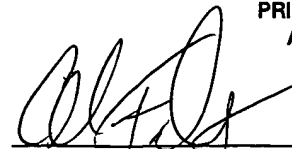
Applicant discussed claim language to further distinguish the claimed invention over the prior art. Applicant's position is that the prior art does not disclose the specific "states" of cutting. However, the examiner maintained that the claim language, particularly with respect to the switching device, is functional and that such movements can be performed by the prior art. The examiner suggested adding language directed to the structure of the switching device that is used to perform the half and full cutting states.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

i) ☐ It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview (if box is checked).

Unless the paragraph above has been checked, THE FORMAL WRITTEN REPLY TO THE LAST OFFICE ACTION MUST INCLUDE THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. (See MPEP section 713.04). If a reply to the last Office action has already been filed, APPLICANT IS GIVEN ONE MONTH FROM THIS INTERVIEW DATE TO FILE A STATEMENT OF THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. See Summary of Record of Interview requirements on reverse side or on attached

CLARK F. DEXTER
PRIMARY EXAMINER
ART UNIT 3724



Examiner's signature, if required

Examiner Note: You must sign this form unless it is an Attachment to a signed Office action.